

BEFORE
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF
SOUTH CAROLINA
DOCKET NO. 94-278-W/S - ORDER NO. 95-1011 ✓
MAY 4, 1995

IN RE: Application of AAA Utilities, Inc. for Approval of an Adjustment in Rates and Charges.) ORDER GRANTING) WAIVER AND ORDERING) ACCEPTANCE OF) APPLICATION
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This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) on the April 24, 1995 request of AAA Utilities, Inc. (AAA or the Company) for a temporary waiver of the requirement stated in our Regulation 103-512.4.13 that any Application for change in rates contain the most recent letter of approval from the Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC) of the system. AAA requests that, since it did not have the required letter, but that it was in the process of obtaining said letter, that the Commission temporarily waive this portion of the Regulation and accept the Application.

Regulation 103-501.3 states that the Commission may waive a Regulation in any case where compliance with any of the rules and regulations introduces unusual difficulty and that such waiver is in the public interest. We hold that the present situation meets these criteria on behalf of AAA in that the DHEC letter had not been obtained at the same time as the Application was submitted. The Commission believes that it is in the public interest to temporarily waive the requirement and order that the Application be accepted. AAA is cautioned, however, that as soon as said letter

is received, it must be filed with the Commission.


IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

1. The requirement of R. 103-512.4.13 that the DHEC letter be included with the Application is hereby temporarily waived until said letter is received by the Company. As soon as said letter is received, it must be filed with the Commission.

2. The Application of the Company shall be accepted.

3. This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:


Chairman

ATTEST:


Executive Director

(SEAL)